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# Regionalise now!

## Cole's 7 a world record

Hans Krankl

Australian striker Gary Cole smashed his way into the record books with his sensational seven-goal burst in the recent Australia-Fiji World Cup eliminator.

Cole's seven goals created an all-time record scoring tally in the World Cup series.

The huge blonde striker scored one goal in a relatively quiet first half but stunned the big crowd with a sensational second-half display.

Taking advantage of every ball that came his way, Cole slammed six more goals past Fijian goalkeeper Akulua Ravano in the final 45 minutes.

Cole's effort had the pre-Australian

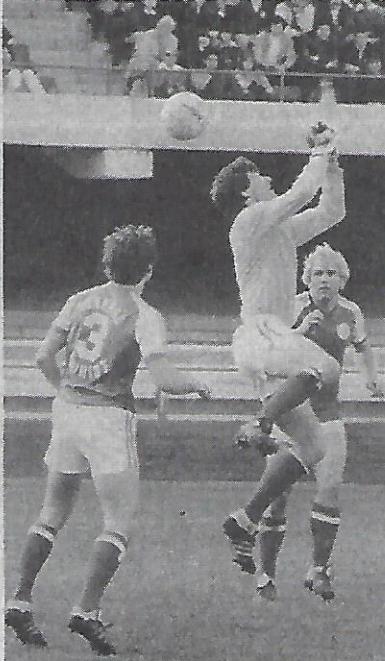


Gary Cole

crowd rearing with delight, and there is little doubt that this type of goal-scoring spree is exactly what is required to bring patrons back in droves.

Although statistics for World Cup qualifying rounds are far from comprehensive, Australia's Hans Krankl is believed to have held the previous record, following his six against Malta in 1977.

Australia's 10-0 whitewashing of Fiji gives that team the dubious distinction of conceding two records within 48 hours, as its 13-0 hiding by New Zealand is the highest in World Cup history, eclipsing West Germany's 12-0 drubbing of Cyprus in 1960. — PAUL MOON.



By LAURIE SCHWAB

Regionalisation is the logical solution to the national league's financial problems which will be aggravated when Philips Industries withdraw their sponsorship at the end of the season.

The extra \$20,000 cost imposed on each club may not appear overwhelming on face value, but in most cases it is an addition to an already existing financial deficit.

Australian Soccer Federation Marketing Ltd. has told the 16 national league clubs that it is reasonably confident of getting a sponsor to replace Philips Industries.

If so, there probably will be no change to the league structure.

That would be unfortunate.

Australian soccer is and always has been better suited to a regionalised national competition, with a gala play-off series as the climax.

Each regional league — north and south — should comprise 12 clubs.

By adding clubs like Croatia, Sydney, Essendon, Croatia, St. George, Melita Eagles, Green Gully-Ajax, a Tasmanian team, Azzurri (SA) and perhaps another Queensland team, the league would gain significantly.

Spectators in Melbourne and Sydney would be able to see their teams more often, crowds would increase and travelling costs would be cut.

At the end of the season, the top four, or even the top six from each region, would play off for the Australian championship title.

Regionalisation, summer soccer and other matters raised in the recent marketing report will be discussed by the national league's Council of Clubs in Sydney on September 5.

Meanwhile, the clubs are presenting a united front in pledging they will carry any additional costs to ensure that national league soccer prevails.

They were however stunned by the news of Philips' withdrawal from soccer.

The decision was not completely unexpected. ASF vice-president Michael Weinstein pointed out in "Soccer Action" a few weeks ago that large corporations traditionally do not sponsor an individual sport over a long period because they must appeal to the community as a whole. Philips has given the league about \$300,000 a year since 1977.

Although the league will have to carry on without Philips, the company will continue to support the knockout Philips Cup competition, whose finalists this year are West Adelaide Hellas and Brisbane Lions.

Having lost the league subsidy, most clubs now are pushing for an end to relegation, at least for a few years.

They want security for their investment. But the ASF, made up of State delegates, is unlikely to be a party to making the league inaccessible to State clubs.

## Slips, and it's Ajax's title

The ball slips through the hands of Essendon Croatia goalkeeper Peter Blasby, while Steve Kovaska (left) and Pat Bannon look on in alarm.

In trying to clear the ball, Kovaska put it into his own goal, paving the way for a 2-0 victory by Green Gully Ajax at Olympic Park last Sunday. The victory gives Ajax its first State League championship. Picture by LES SHORTON.

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Heidelberg-Alexander, the big improver of the national league, should climb to the middle of the table after games against Brisbane Lions and Blacktown this week.

Having drawn 0-0 with Lions in Brisbane last Sunday, Heidelberg meets them again in a postponed game at Olympic Park at 8 pm on Friday night.

Two days later, at the same ground, Heidelberg takes on Blacktown.

If the Bergers win that one, Blacktown will be relegated.

With Arthur McMillan and John Yzendoorn dominating in defence and Gary Cole and Jamie Paton combining well in attack, Heidelberg has gained 15 points from its past 12 matches.

In the last two rounds, it meets Newcastle away and APIA at home, so if the Bergers maintain their form, they should finish the season with at least 30 points. — LAURIE SCHWAB.

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# Summer soccer: experts have their say

Accents to evaporate?

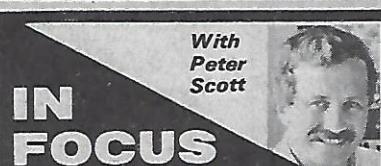
The way the PSL and Australian soccer is heading currently can only lead to a dead-end.

Most of the major marketing recommendations announced by PSL chairman Frank Lowry were canvassed in column I have contributed to "Soccer Action" previously and while they may sound revolutionary when presented in a package, most of them are pretty commonsense and should have been adopted years ago.

They include names on shirts, all clubs working together to market the League and other such tid-bits.

But what of summer soccer? Anyone who comes down vehemently on one side of this argument is simply talking through his hat.

We quite simply don't know whether it will be a good or a bad thing, all that most of us have are varying degrees of unease that for the amounts of



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money spent there should be something better available to soccer fans.

What we do know is that facilities for night-time soccer, apart from the odd exception, are miserable — and that is a serious handicap for the proposed concept.

If it is to go ahead, a solution must be found.

My other fear is that the proposals adopt much of the "fluffy" part of the Americanisation of soccer and still refuse to face fairly and squarely one undeniable fact.

For all, or even most, of the PSL management's ambitions to materialise into reality within our lifetimes there must be star content — and I don't mean building up our local kids into stars, although that is a necessary part of the picture as a whole.

But the PSL does need some players who can give it almost instant credibility. The Yanks had Pele do the job in one year, after decades of failure.

Where will our Pele come from? And who will pay for him?

The other factor which cannot legitimately be ignored is the makeup of the Australian soccer population.

Yes, I'm harking back to the old "ethnic" bit again.

The ASF marketing company's presentation deals with this "problem" with brevity and right in the outset.

Apart from the fact that it looks at the problem in so superficial that one is forced to wonder how much time was spent on it in comparison with, say, the temperature charts, it is also either naive or dishonest.

The suggestion is that, put

simply, ethnic identities must go, but the supporting social clubs should continue to foster that same bogey.

This poses the question whether all those club members are apathetic, or just plain stupid.

Do they continue to support clubs which in effect tell them "We need your money, but keep your accents off the ter-races"?

In fact, were club memberships consulted about the proposals in the ASF Marketing report?

Or in some (most?) instances were the responses from officials who are in many cases unelected and responsible to nobody outside their little power clique?

And, if so, what assurance do we have that they know the thinking of their members? Or even care?

I was fascinated to read the results of three different "opinion polls" which dealt with summer soccer. Two in favor, one against and, inevitably I suppose, thoroughly rubbish and discredited by the marketing folks.

I was equally fascinated to note that all the results were expressed in percentage figures; nowhere was there mention of the number of respondents to those samplings of opinion.

A big step is about to be taken by Australian soccer. It may not be the right move — and those who take it had better think fast and hard, divorce themselves from dogma and built-in prejudices.

This vital ingredient is still missing from the mixture — and that's why I worry about the future of soccer, Aussie-style.

## Pro players needed



Mike Johnson

Full-time professionalism will be needed to implement the proposed summer revolution of soccer in the Philips league.

There is no way the proposed new summer league would work without full-time professionalism — providing of course it still is feasible in light of Philips withdrawal.

The summer league and its appendages calls for numerous night fixtures, no summer holidays, international fixtures and indoor games out of season — in a word, total soccer involvement.

No coach or player could expect a traditional career employer to accommodate such comprehensive soccer involvement.

The presentation of the ASF marketing group's case to the Philips League was very impressively packaged and presented.

I was not so impressed with much of the content of the argument put forward in the inch and a half thick volume in which the marketing group's case was put.

There was far too much rhetoric and far too little factual statement to substantiate reasons for the proposed change to summer soccer.

There was, however, statistical data on summer temperatures and temperatures in other hot, soccer playing countries, to support arguments that we could play soccer in our summer.

I am also sure we could play soccer in our summer.

The more important question is — should we?

This is a question our administrators are going to have to resolve in the near future.

It is for this reason I propose to discuss the case put forward by ASF Marketing in some detail, following a long study of their aforementioned massive volume of printed material.

The volume starts off, rather unfortunately, by presenting a futuristic look at Australian soccer in the year 1990, only nine years from now, when my son Brendan 13, will be 22 and eligible to play for the Australia which the marketing people saw beating England and starting out as joint favourites, with the USA, to win the 1990 World Cup.

Anyone with any knowledge of Australian and world soccer would know that Australia could never start out as joint favourite to win the World Cup — not in this century, or maybe even the next.

The introduction was a forerunner to other pieces of fanciful thought and rhetorical comment which had no place in such a document, along with contradictory argument and inaccurate information.

For example:

• In a discussion on crowds at mass spectator sports — that 50 per cent of spectators were under age 15. (From observation of television sport this obviously is not the case, especially at tennis and cricket which were the two sports mentioned).

• Dismissal of the problem of rain in summer in Brisbane by stating that soccer players and spectators were used to getting wet in winter. Yet previously rain in winter had been stated as a reason to change seasons.

• Medical advisor Dr Corrigan stating that pulse rates above 135 beats per minute when training in summer heat leads to exhaustion, in which my experience is not the case. Heart beats of 135 is very low for soccer training.

• Dr Corrigan's statement that there will be a loss of some efficiency and a slowing down in the games in the heat, yet elsewhere it is stated that today's most successful spectator sports are "fast and aggressive in style".

• The main thrust of the argument for the change to summer was to be able to package soccer as a new ball game — yet an admission that soccer previously has "never been packaged, promoted or positioned appealingly enough".

• Continual reference to our soccer currently being played in "wet, rain and cold", when two-thirds of our playing season is played in very pleasant conditions.

The overall argument flowing from those points was that a NEW spectator, as distinct from the traditional, mainly migrant spectator currently supporting soccer, would not come in the bleakness of winter, to sit on a typical "hut" to watch soccer, nor bring his child or wife with him, especially at weekends.

Even the airfares and other costs were crippling clubs and the Philips League as it now is could not survive without increased supporters at games.

And this is the nub of the argument — will Philips league soccer in summer draw in more spectators than in winter?

One never would be able to know the answer to that one, without trying summer soccer, which is not necessarily a reason for changing.

However, to play summer soccer would require full time professionalism and one has to ask — is that financially possible?

The marketing people say that with more sponsorship from companies which traditionally promote their products in summer, such as soft drink, ice-cream and sportswear companies, the money would be forthcoming.

They also say more potential spectators among the young, who they say don't come to our games now because dad is fed up taking him to his own junior soccer games on Saturday and does not want to spend all weekend taking his family to soccer.

This is another fallacy.

My wide experience of junior soccer indicates that from age 13 few dads, or even mums, go to watch their children play. The screaming parent syndrome is played out in front of the very young soccer player.

The marketing people cite increased air costs as a huge burden under the current Philips League set-up and full-time professionalism as a gain if we go summer, yet comparative costs show otherwise.

It has been stated air costs will go up by 25 per cent in the near future.

Yet national wage bills will go up 200 per cent if the league goes full-time professional.

Currently the average seasonal wage of a national League part-time professional is about \$5000. Thus a 20 man squad costs \$100,000 per year.

To make full-time soccer financially worthwhile, each squad member would need to earn at least \$300 a week. \$15,000 a year. That totals \$300,000 yearly for 20 players. Quite an annual wage bill.

Increased sponsorship and spectators would have to pay for that.

If we increased our crowds by 100 per cent we would be averaging about 8000 people per game, which is a little less than Rugby League draws in Sydney. League has much bigger social clubs and attract bigger sponsorships than soccer has so far been able to draw.

Rugby League clubs do pay their players around the \$15,000 mark, often more.

I always have thought that our soccer would grow and improve in a more evolutionary way as it has done over the last 20 years, even while the total sport has dwindled, just like it has for all other sports over the last 20 years.

The marketing people are proposing a grand intervention which suddenly will upgrade the soccer species.

I do not believe such an intervention would be a disaster if it failed, just as I know that soccer will not fall apart if we do not introduce summer soccer.

## More games better for players

For a long time I did not have a good word for Australian Soccer Federation Marketing Ltd., mainly because it came out with little other than waffle.

I now must tip my hat to the marketing people over the weighty document it produced last week on the directions the game should take.

Until now soccer has had no such guidelines. Meaningful documents have been rare indeed in our game — that's why we should be thankful for things like Laurin Schwab's book, "The Soccerode" and their "Opponents", and Andrew Peacock's "Soccer World".

It has served as the only continuous chronicle of soccer over the past 25 years.

Now we have the marketing report. We can take it or leave it, criticise or praise it, but there is no denying that it offers new solutions.

I have said repeatedly that the number of games over a season should be increased to improve the players and therefore lift the standard.

It did not make sense to put our players for almost a full year, yet ask them to play only about 35 matches. I would like to see them playing a lot more.

The marketing company's recommendation for a summer season, supplemented by a winter indoor soccer competition, would achieve this aim.

At the moment, players lose fitness and gain too much weight during an off-season which is too long. Thus we need a hard, edged pre-season training programme to bring them back up to scratch.

Obviously the length of pre-season training would be shortened if the players had more games during the season.

The traditionalists of course are dead against summer soccer but are the cricket traditionalists against Kerry Packer's night cricket? Look how successful that turned out to be.

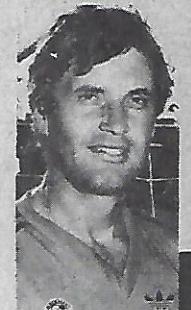
Summer soccer would bring other benefits to soccer. The clubs know that if they want to use their own grounds for night games, they will have to install floodlights, so those that have procrastinated over the cost finally will be moved to go ahead. Grandstands similarly would be upgraded if summer soccer achieves its aim of attracting bigger audiences.

I called summer soccer a crazy idea when it first came up last year, but an assessment was made on playing matches in mid-afternoon. If they are played in the evening or late afternoon, I'm all for it.

Clubs that have been in existence for 20 or 30 years and still have to share with a cricket club will scream of course, but it's a little late to scream of course, but it's a little late to scream after you've sat back in your behind for 20 or 30 years, expecting the world to stand still.

It's not too late for them, of course. Now is the time to move.

Just look at what some progressive clubs have done already, since the start of the



RALE RASIC

PSL — Helas has a magnificent social club, the Brisbane clubs have new grounds, Marconi has grown in all directions, Blacktown is developing a fine complex.

But like I said earlier, summer soccer can be measured by only one yardstick — crowds. If attendances increase significantly, all the grumblings will stop.

I applaud the decision to use the youth team for Australia's remaining World Cup games. Since the youth caravan started rolling in 1979, Australian soccer has benefited greatly by the emergence of players like Steve Blair, Alan Davidson, David Mitchell and Robert Wheatley.

More are in the melting pot. The World Cup games will make them better and better. The world youth championships in October, many of whom will become established stars in senior PSL teams.

While talking World Cup, I'm sure most of us felt a little embarrassed for poor Fiji over its 10-0 and 13-0 losses to Australia and New Zealand.

Those scores didn't do much for soccer's credibility in this part of the world.

I suggest that in future, little nations like Fiji should play a preliminary tournament whose winner would advance to the main Oceania qualifying group.

Stapleton \$1.7 mil.

Arsenal striker Frank Stapleton signed for Manchester United for £1.1 million (1.7 million Aust Dollars) last week — a fee decided by the English Football League Appeals Committee.

The committee was called in after United challenged the two million sterling (3.16 million Aust Dollars) rating of Stapleton by its first division rival.

The four members of the committee put a figure of 900,000 sterling (£1.4 million Aust Dollars) on the Irish International — a sum that will be increased by 20 per cent by valued added tax (VAT) and levies.

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# Test for Bergers, Rasic and Marconi

Time's running out for a couple of Heidelberg players who face up to Rale Rasic's Blacktown at Olympic Park on Sunday.

Heidelberg coach Len McKendry has stated that he'll need to turn over his playing staff for the 1982 season. That means the appearance of a few new faces and the departure of some old ones.

The question is which current first team members will depart Heidelberg's ranks and we probably won't know the answer until the season's over.

But the ones on the way out, no doubt a few Bergers will want to impress their boss before the season's end.

That could spell doom for Blacktown which ran out a 3-1 winner over Heidelberg at Gabbie Stadium in the first half of the season.

Another question which could be answered over the closing weeks of this season is Rasic's future.

It's hard to envisage the former Soccereroo supremo devolving into State League ranks should Blacktown be relegated.

And relegation looms as a distinct possibility for the demons despite their major sponsorship and fine facilities.

Heidelberg should make Blacktown's fate nearly certain by taking both points.

There could be a few fireworks if Blacktown's fiery keeper, Jamie Paton, gets Gary Cole's way.

Paul Burrows is the man the Heidelberg defence must watch closely but I expect the Bergers to hold the upper hand in midfield so Burrows may not get the service he needs to give the visitors some hope.

Footscray J.U.S.T. can grab a point from Brisbane Lions at Schintler Reserve provided the defensive approach J.U.S.T. adopted against Heidelberg two weeks ago gives way to the 4-3-3 formation which reaped rewards for the club earlier this season.

Should J.U.S.T. play with only two players wide up front it's an open invitation for Lions to pin the home

side in. The J.U.S.T. fans don't enjoy a defensive approach and really it doesn't make sense because Zdravko Lujic, Johan Verweij and Bruno Cozzella are capable of worrying the stout Lions' defence.

So the message is: have a go, J.U.S.T. You've got nothing to lose and the reward for success will be finishing the season on a high note with a bright outlook for the club's fortunes in 1982. And wouldn't that make a change from the morbid, despairing attitude which characterised J.U.S.T. in previous years when the club fought tooth and nail to narrowly avoid relegation.

Marconi and APIA Leichhardt fight out Sydney's local Italian derby at Marconi oval on Sunday and I'm tipping Willie Wallace's APIA to win.

Marconi probably will go into this match as the favorite but I expect APIA strikers Seb Giampaolo and Tony Morsello will Marconi defender Bertie Mariani and Peter Brogan under tremendous pressure.

Morsello impresses me greatly. Apart from his fine skills, his acceleration makes him an exciting player to watch and he's young enough to have a major impact upon Australian Soccer in years to come.

Rod Skeels would have the job of taming Marconi's flying winger Peter Sharne while Peter Wilson will have to give good cover to the markers for Mark Jankovic and Eddie Driscoll.

There shouldn't be much in this derby but should Phil Connor play fully fit he could tip the scales in APIA's favor.

I've gone for a draw between Sydney Olympic and Newcastle KB at Pratten Park on Sunday.

When these sides met at the International Sports Centre in the first half of the season a freak goal by Olympic winger Graham Jennings played a major part in Olympic's 2-1 win.

Jimmy Redfern looms as the biggest threat to KB. Since arriving here Redfern has shown in a short time

that his skill and experience will be important to Olympic to balance the youth and exuberance of the club's many youngsters.

And KB will have to rearrange its defence to fill the gap left by Howard Tredinnick's commitment with the young Socceros. The replacement for Tredinnick is crucial for the fill in left back probably will come against Redfern.

Adelaide City goes into Sunday's local derby against arch rival West Adelaide without David Mitchell and Charlie Villani, both playing for Australia against Indonesia on the weekend.

Mitchell and Villani leave glaring gaps in Adelaide City's side and it's questionable whether coach Bob D'Ortavio can cover for the loss of two of his stars.

But I've stuck with Adelaide City for some time. I expect the depleted City line-up to avenge its Phillips Cup semi-final loss at the hands of West and run out a win.

Brisbane City should defeat Preston Makedonia at Spencer Park on Sunday.

I doubt whether Makedonia can avert Barry Kelso's aerial threat while Joe Palinkas may create problems for the visitors out wide.

But Paulinkas will have to be at his best because he'll run into Steve Beech, one of the best left backs in the PSL.

The key to City's fortunes rest with the markers for Makedonia's Claude Lucchesi and Doug Brown.

Canberra can grab the points from Wollongong at Bruce Stadium on Sunday provided Tony Brennan, Walter Valeri and Ian Gibson get good service from their midfielders. They'll need to break down Wollongong's defensive discipline.

## IN MELBOURNE

HEIDELBERG v. Blacktown at Olympic Park, Sunday, 3 pm. Previous results: 1980 — Heid 5-1, 2-1. 1981 — Black 3-1.

Footscray J.U.S.T. v. Brisbane Lions (draw) at

Schintler Reserve, Sunday, 3 pm. Previous results: 1977 — Lions 2-0, J.U.S.T. 4-2, 1978 — J.U.S.T. 4-0, 0-0. 1979 — J.U.S.T. 3-1, Lions 1-0. 1980 — J.U.S.T. 3-1, 1-1. 1981 — Lions 4-0. Advantage J.U.S.T. 4 wins, 2 draws, 3 losses. Goals: 15:12.

## IN SYDNEY

Sydney City v. South Melbourne Hellas (draw) at Sydney Athletic Field, Sunday, 3 pm. Previous results: 1977 — SMH 1-0, 0-0. 1978 — SMH 3-0, 0-0. 1979 — Syd. City 2-0, 2-1. 1980 — Syd. City 2-1, 2-1. 1981 — Syd. City 3-1. Advantage Sydney City 5 wins, 2 draws, 2 losses. Goals: 11:8.

Marconi v. APIA LEICHARDT at Marconi Stadium, Sunday, 3 pm. Previous results: 1979 — Marc 2-0, 0-0. 1980 — APIA 2-1, 2-2.

Olympic v. Newcastle KB (draw) at Pratten Park, Sunday, 3 pm. Previous results: 1978 — 1-1, 1-1. 1979 — KB 2-0, 1-1. 1981 — 1-0.

## IN ADELAIDE

ADELAIDE CITY v. West Adelaide at Olympic Sports Field, Sunday, 2.30 pm. Previous results: 1977 — AC 4-1, 2-2. 1978 — WA 2-1, 1-1. 1979 — AC 2-1, 1-0. 1980 — AC 2-0, 1-0. 1981 — AC 3-0. Advantage Adelaide City 6 wins, 2 draws, 1 loss. Goals: 17:7.

## IN BRISBANE

BRISBANE CITY v. Preston Makedonia at Spencer Park, Sunday, 3 pm. Previous results: 1981 — 1-1.

## IN CANBERRA

CANBERRA v. Wollongong at Bruce Stadium, Sunday, 3 pm. Previous result: 1981 — Canberra 1-0.

# McMILLAN CUTS OUT MITCHELL

**Makedonia 3**  
**Adelaide City 0**

Scorers: Ollerton pen 15th, Luccaschi 42nd, Brown 73rd.

Venue: Connor Reserve, Reservoir.

Referee: E. Venios V. 8.

**PRESTON — MAKEDONIA.**

Wilson 8; Flavell 7 (Macvor 6th); McMillan 9, Petrovski 7, Beech 8, Whittle 7, Ollerton 7 (Little 71st), Farrell 8, Cullen 8, Luccaschi 8, Brown 8.

**CAUTIONS:** Luccaschi, Brown.

**ADELAIDE CITY:** Przyblyski 6, B. Nyskohus 7, Jones 7, Perin 9, Russell 8, Marocchio 8, Manou 6 (Dods 46th), Signature 6 (Buch 71st); Northgate 7, Mitchell 6, J. Nyskohus 5. Crowd: 3500 (estimated).

**CAUTIONS:** Luccaschi, Brown.

Even when there is nothing at stake except two championship points, a game at Preston is an experience.

Added to the volatile supporters, there is the cut-throat competition for team places which sometimes erupts in heated exchanges between players on the field, and of course there is the unpredictability about the club itself for it seems to thrive on doing the unexpected.

I mean there is little that is unorthodox in clinging to the Makedonia title but integrating it into a hip modern day jingle a la "Up There Cazaly" style. Well, sort of un-expect.

So is paying \$3,000 for a Frankston defender to warm

up the bench for the season, the way the supporters have rejected both Gordon Flavell and Alan Whittle, and even Peter Ollerton, making a martyr of himself to make way for John Little in the second half.

Added to this vibrant scene, on Sunday there was the added color of the travelling Adelaide City supporters who brought their own cheer squad, the flags and banners and until half time their vocal chords to cheer their team on.

Not forgetting of course that we were treated to a good game of soccer and three goals into the bargain.

The second half of the afternoon were both back four players: Gordon McMillan gave another of his no nonsense performances and must have shook the life out of Soccereroo starlet David Mitchell with his bone-crushing tackles every time the striker came near a ball.

"This is not Fiji," came the wisecracks from the terraces but I'm sure Mitchell didn't need reminding as McMillan hardly gave him a look-in throughout the 90 minutes.

At the other end in complete contrast, the old master John Perin gave a great display at sweeper, always calm and collected, passing the ball with weighted precision and showing the remarkable vision gained from so many years of experience to spot danger early and react to it positively.

Of course Perin can mix it



## MATCH RATING:

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with the best and he and Whittle had an absorbing tussle all afternoon.

Makedonia took the lead in the 15th minute from a border-line penalty decision for a foul by David Jones on Whittle.

The tackle was a foul but the incident happened on the edge of the area and most referees would have opted for a direct free kick outside the box.

But referee Evan Venios had no hesitation in pointing to the spot and Peter Ollerton calmly slotted the kick home to the keeper's left.

Four minutes later Adelaide had the ball in the net at the other end when John Nyskohus netted the rebound of Perin's shot but Mr Venios had ruled the goal, acting on the raised flag from his linesman who presumably picked an offside.

The important second goal

came three minutes from half time. Robert Cullen raced onto a through ball, his shot was blocked by Przyblyski but Claude Lucchesi followed up to plant the rebound home.

It was a great moment for Lucchesi who had coped heckling from the City supporters and he got a big kick out of deliberately running to the Italians and giving them the inverted victory sign.

The goal which sealed the victory came in the 73rd minute when Doug Brown let go one of his specials from 25 metres and Przyblyski had no hope of stopping it before it hit the roof of the net.

The defeat was Adelaide's first in five visits to Melbourne but they may justifiably claim they were under-strength for they lost Charlie Villani mid-week with a cartilage problem and their midfield dynamo Sergio Melita also was out through suspension.

The tackle was a foul but the referee's whistle before for a foul by Calvin Daunt.

Lions looked to have stolen the winner when the consistent and skillful Billy Williamson thumped a left foot volley from outside the box just after half-time.

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A little more in the way of entertainment was expected considering Heidelberg were out of harm's way in regard to relegation and Lions are well out of title contention.

But it was not to be and Melbourne patrons will be hoping for something a little better when the teams meet again in their final match on Saturday.

Wests simply didn't have an answer to Olympic's flair that not only extended from midfield but also from the rear and in attack where Koussas and Jennings could have enjoyed a goal-scoring feast had it not been for a touch of inexperience.

Koussas sealed the game within 30 seconds of the start when he unleashed a thunderbolt from the edge of the box that had Crook sprawling in vain.

Olympic had bountiful chances to extend their lead.

And if it wasn't inaccuracy that caused despair among the young Olympians it was the atrocious parochialism of referee Jim Bossi.

Rossel made an appeal for an obvious penalty in the 75th minute after Koussas had been brought down and again later when Jennings was tackled from behind as he charged towards Crook.

Heidelberg played without midfielder Jim Campbell. Gary Cole did not get a chance to reproduce his remarkable goal-scoring feats although he was dangerous on a couple of occasions in the first half. Recent import McLeod made his first appearance at half-time.

On the day the most enterprising Heidelberg men were midfielder Theo Selemidis and sweeper John Yzendoorn.

Marconi's Bertie Mariani takes the ball away, leaving Heidelberg's Jamie Paton and goalkeeper Ron Corry on the ground behind him. In the background is Theo Selemidis. Picture by LES SHORROCK.

## MacLeod makes debut

**Brisb. Lions 0**  
**Heidelberg 0**

Ground — Richlands. Crowd abt 1500. Weather — fine. Referee — C. Amos 7.

**BRISBANE LIONS** — Lowndes 8, Wilson 7, Hermann 8, Burns 7, Niven 6, Hogg 6 (Ogden 75th), Morris 6, McLean 6, Daunt 7, Williamson 8, Low 7.

**HEIDELBERG** — Oliver 7, McMillan 7, Provan 7, Yzendoorn 6, MacLeod 6, Selemidis 8, Tasevski 7, Rooney 6, Cole 7, Paton 6, Bozikas 6.

**CAUTIONS:** None. **GOALS:** None. **REFEREE:** C. Amos 7.

**MATCH RATING:** 7

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J.U.S.T. star Zdravko Lujic dribbles past Ian McKie at Hindmarsh. Photo by FRANK HOBBS

## HELLAS BLOWS ITS CHANCES



Laurie Schwab

SM-Hellas 0  
Brisbane C2.

Goals: Conner 39th, P. Wilkison 54th.

Ground: Middle Park.

Crowd: about 7000.

Referee: Chris Bambridge 8.

Cautions: Vincenzino,

Gaffney (BC).

SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS: Laumets 6 - V. Bannon 6,

Xanthopoulos 6, Blair 6, Nicolaides 5 - Stevenson 6,

Rogers 8, Davidson (injured

Luton 17th), Cummings

7, Woodfin 6, Bulovic 6.

BRISBANE CITY: Wishart 8

- Vincenzino 8, Dunn 7,

Ratcliffe 7, W. Wilkinson 9 -

Conner 8, Pimblett 8, Hamilton 8, Gaffney 7 - Kelso 9,

P. Wilkison 7.

This result almost certainly ended Hellas' hopes of winning the championship.

Brisbane City played well for its win but this was not the Hellas we know.

Alvin Evans was out injured for the second successive game, midfielder Jim Shirriff was ill and could not play and Alan Davidson, playing in midfield for the first time this year - lasted only 14 minutes before being injured and replaced by Barry Luton.

Mising those three stars, Hellas was well and truly behind the eight-ball, yet with a bit of luck, it could have scored early in the game, through Steve Woodfin who was however, foiled by goal keeper Kim Wishart.

**MATCH RATING:**

**7**

As the game progressed, Hellas deserved what it got, instead of playing the ball quickly to shake off Brisbane City's tight marking, Hellas tried to dribble past opponents and invariably lost the ball.

There was very little midfield support for the forwards, and there were some serious lapses in the defense.

Brisbane City played tight in midfield and closed out the Hellas strikers for most of the match.

Up front big Barry Kelso and little Willie Conner outplayed their opponents and were unlucky not to add to the score.

Hellas had its chances late in the game but Duncan Cummings, the busiest of the forwards, shot badly.

Davidson's injury forced Hellas to reshuffle their line-up.

Luton went to left back and Socrates Nicolaides pushed up into Davidson's midfield position.

That line-up was changed again after half time when Luton moved into attack and Nicolaides went back to defense.

But nothing worked against Brisbane City's conscientious marking and disciplined team play.

Billy Wilkinson and young David Vincenzino put on outstanding performances at full back, and Jimmy Dunn swept up whatever went past them.

Apart from closing down Hellas in midfield, Bobby Hamilton and Frank Pimblett also set up breakaway attacks with intelligent passing.

In the 37th minute Conner missed narrowly after receiving the ball at close range from Peter Laumets' punch-out but atoned two minutes later by shooting Brisbane City into the lead after Kelso had flicked the ball into his path.

Billy Rogers continued to work hard in Hellas' midfield but to no avail.

Brisbane City went further ahead nine minutes after half time.

Conner crossed from the right and Paul Wilkinson headed home at the far post.

Kelso and Conner combined again in a breakaway during which Conner's shot beat Laumets, but Steve Blair cleared off the line.

Cummings missed again, but Wishart saved a shot by Vince Bannon and it was Wishart again who foiled Luton as Brisbane City defended its lead in the last 10 minutes.

## Slickers all set



Wollongong 0  
Syd City 5.

Goals: Souness 2, Boden,

Kosmina, Barnes.

Venue: Wollongong Show-

grounds.

Crowd: 3574.

Referee: Tim Davies 6.

WOLLONGONG: Vardareff

6 - Fleming 8, Dunleavy 8, de

Graaf 8, (Mohring 85th), Ains-

worth 9 - McBreen 6, Adam 7,

Lathan 9 - Tredinnick 8, Ber-

togna 7, Fontana 6, (Campbell 55th).

SYDNEY CITY: HAKOAI:

Clarke 1, Souness 9, O'Con-

nor 8, Spanos 7 (in sub Gomes

80th), Cant 8, Petakis 7,

Boden 8, Barnes 7 - Watson 7

(Lee 67th), Kosmina 9, Murray

7.

Sydney City took a stranglehold on the Phillips League title after beating lethargic Wollongong City 5-0 at Wollongong Showgrounds.

The slickers are three points clear of South Melbourne with three games to play and beat Wollongong without really hitting top gear.

The Sydney team led 1-0 after an even first half through a gift goal by Ken Boden.

In the second half, Wollongong lost their share of midfield authority and Sydney City added another goal from full-back Ian Souness (2), Murray Barnes and John Kosmina.

The further the second half went the more the visitors looked certain to retain their PSL crown.

They looked like a well-organized machine at times with Kosmina and Boden causing Wollongong's defense plenty of problems.

Goalkeeper Todd Clarke was untroubled when Wollongong battled for the equaliser in the first half while John Lathan was the pick of the Wollongong side.

Sydney City took the lead after just five minutes.

Centre half Chris Dunleavy and goalkeeper Natch Varda-

**MATCH RATING:**

**8**

Reff were involved in the mix-up and the ball rebounded off Kosmina to the foot of Boden.

It was almost a comical situation but Boden was left completely unmarked with an open goal and he made no mistake.

Towards the end of the first half, Wollongong were on top with Arno Bertogna going close with two headers before fullback John Fleming was fullback with a 25m shot.

The turning point in the game came after 57 minutes when Kosmina notched number two for the visitors.

Joe Watson took a corner on the left and the ball deflected off a team mate before Kosmina headed home from close range.

Soon after it was 3-0, full-back Ian Souness hitting a 25m shot which goalkeeper Vardareff could not hold.

The ball flew out of his hands over his head before he could scramble it clear but the linesman ruled it had crossed the line.

The future looks bright for Leichhardt - wherever they play next year and in whatever competition.

Canberra was a terrible disappointment and after an opening 15 minute flurry was never in it.

During this opening 15 minute spell, Canberra had

**KB triumphs**

**MATCH RATING:**

**8**

**Newcastle KB 2**

**Marconi 0**

**Scorers: Mountford, Sum-**

**ner.**

**Ground: International**

**Sports Centre.**

**Crowd: 5,027.**

**Referee: Peter Rampley 7.**

**NEWCASTLE: Dandy 7 -**

**Reaney 7, Drinkwater 8,**

**Mason 8, Endacott 7 - Sen-**

**Kalski 8, Summer 8, Jones 8,**

**Heyland 8, Mountford 7 (McCle-**

**lenn 61st), Kamez 8.**

**MARCONI: Carty 8**

**Brown 7, Mariani 7, Tomasic**

**6, Degney 6 - Piccone 6**

**(Housen 35th 8), Byrne 8,**

**Carbone 6 (Hunter 59th) -**

**Sharma 7, Jankovics 7, Krone-**

**vic 7.**

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**OLYMPIC TOPS**

**MATCH RATING:**

**8**

**Blaketown 1**

**Syd. Olympic 4**

**Scorers: Djordjevic (B),**

**Koussas 2, Redfern, Gavin**

**(SO).**

**Ground: Gabbin Stadium.**

**Crowd: 4,500.**

**Referee: Bob Men 7.**

**BLACKTOWN: Djordjevic 8 -**

**Djordjevic 8 - Selvage 6, Mi-**

**lovanovic 6 (Cuh H.T. 4),**

**Pinter 6, Wheately 6 - Krstic**

**6, Hormazabal 6, O'Donnell 6 -**

**Jones 6, Burrows 8.**

**OLYMPIC: Wilson 7 -**

**Mills 8, Ziras 7 (Rowden**

**8th), K. Williams 8, Scott 8,**

**Rakopulos 8, Kotsilos 9 -**

**Redfern 9, Gavin 7 (Cross**

**85th), Koussas 9, Jennings 9.**

**MATCH RATING:**

**8**

**West Adel 3**

**Foots JUST 2**

**Scorers (Honeyman 30,**

**Topaz 64, Lorenzoni 80) (Ver-**

**weil 29, Lujic 63).**

**Ground: Hindmarsh Stadi-**

**um. Crowd: 2500. Cond-**

**itions: good.**

**Referee: Mr. R. Kerr (SA) 7.**

**WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS:**

**Crook 7, Maricic 7, Smythe 7,**

**Ford 7, Topaz 7, Bozanic 8,**

**McKie (Brown) 7, Step-**

**hanopoulos 6, Kowalski (Lo-**

**renzoni) 6, Honeyman 8,**

**McGregor 7.**

**FOOTSCRAY JUST: Boland**

**8, Hazebroek 7, Milne 6, Kyri-**

**kouleas 7, Kondarios 7, Jova-**

**novic 8, Verweij 6, Ilioski 6,**

**Castella 7, Kakantakis 6, Lujic**

**8.**

**MATCH RATING:**

**8**

**three good attempts at goal**

**which were all well saved by**

**Leichhardt goalkeeper Greg**

**Woodhouse.**

**Woodhouse brought off two**

**absolutely brilliant saves from**

**Duncan Cole and Terry Byrne.**

**The big fellow is now back to**

**the form that won him a place**

**in the Socceroo side.**

**Tony Morsello opened the**

**scoring in the 26th minute**

**after some good work by Mar-**

**shall Soper.**

**Then the floodgates opened**

**and further goals by Sebastian**

**Giampaolo in the 31st minute**

**and John Bradley in the 23rd**

**minute gave Leichhardt a very**

**handy 3-0 lead at the interval.**

**The performance of Sebastian**

**Giampaolo against his for-**

**mer club was heartening for**

**the Leichhardt fans.**

**Despite having the upper**

**hand and dictating the play**

**during the second half Leich-**

**hardt only added one more**

**goal to their tally.**

**This came in the 64th minute**

**from the ever alert Marshall**

**Soper.**

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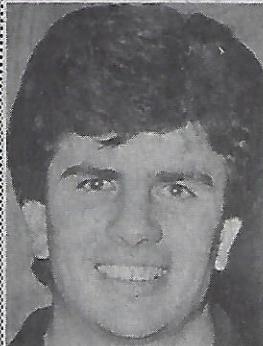
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**CARLO SABIDUSSI.** Captain & Midfielder. 27 years old; Date of Birth 11/7/54. Height 170 cm. (From Preston Makedonia)

## MIGHTY FAWKNER DOES IT AGAIN

Victorian Second Division champion Fawkner lays claim to the title of the boom team of the Victorian Leagues.

Fawkner won its first major championship in 1978, its first year in Metropolitan League soccer after an extensive and successful period in Provisional League ranks.

The name Schipano is synonymous with Fawkner's success but the club boasts a host of sponsors, a big following, fine facilities at Duke Street Reserve and an ever mounting impetus toward the upper echelons of Victorian soccer.

Fawkner won the 1981 Second Division title by one point from ever present rival Frankston Pines.

There's a lot of feeling between these clubs. Their rivalry started many years ago in the Provisional Leagues and has been carried on throughout the Metro ranks and will continue as they strive to win promotion to the State

League in their inaugural incursion into the First Division in 1982.

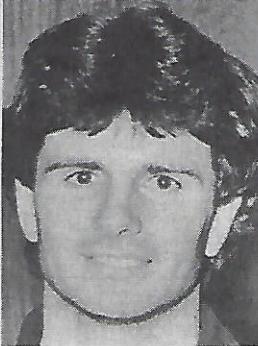
For now honors lie with Fawkner. Perhaps one of the best buying coups for many years was achieved by the Italian backed Fawkner when it signed Les Gooney from Eltham at the start of the 1981 season.

Gooney, a winner of the Metro Best and Fairest award while still a teenager, has long been one of the most composed, classy players in Metro soccer.

He resisted countless attempts to leave Eltham which he represented with distinction for many seasons but Fawkner's lure proved too great.

Gooney has had a remarkable season with his new club and is widely tipped to win the Second Division Best and Fairest award.

So next year mighty Fawkner steps out to start another campaign. This time the stakes are higher. No doubt Fawkner is destined for State League ranks.



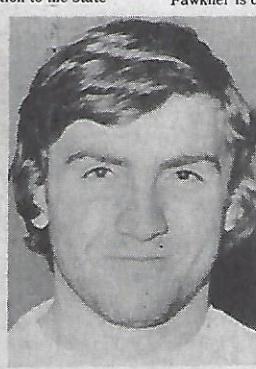
**BRUNO SABIDUSSI.** Midfielder. 25 years old; Date of Birth 21/1/56. Height 170 cm. (From Juventus)



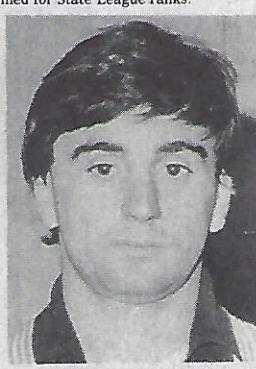
**ROBERT TERZINI.** Goalkeeper. 23 years old; Date of Birth 20/7/58. Height 182 cm.



**FRANK FRAGALE.** Striker. 24 years old; Date of Birth 15/11/57. Height 169 cm. (From T.E.L. & Triestina S.C.)



**BILL PANAS.** Goalkeeper. 22 years old; Date of Birth 2/10/59. Height 170 cm. (From the junior ranks)



**GIUSEPPE PERRI.** Left Full Back. 18 years old; Date of Birth 30/8/63. Height 165 cm. (From Fawkner Junior)



**SERGIO SABBADINI.** Right Full Back. 24 years old; Date of Birth 3/7/57. Height 175 cm. (From Juventus)



**CLAUDIO POLITA.** Midfielder. 17 years old; Date of Birth 25/1/64. Height 175 cm. (From Moreland Junior)



**LESLIE GOONEY.** Striker. 27 years old; Date of Birth 29/9/54. Height 175 cm. (From Eltham)



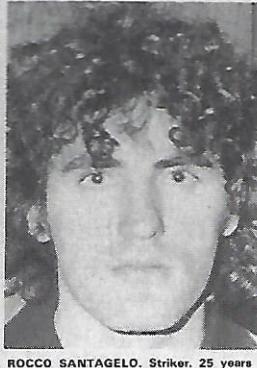
**CESARE FATTORE.** Defender. 21 years old; Date of Birth 28/2/60. Height 180 cm. (From Griffith)



**ANTONIO MAINENTI.** Striker. 28 years old; Date of Birth 12/6/53. Height 175 cm. (From Fawkner) (On loan to Juventus for 1 year)



**TONY SCHIPANO.** Full Back & Vice Captain. 24 years old; Date of Birth 5/3/57. Height 185 cm. (From Fawkner Junior)



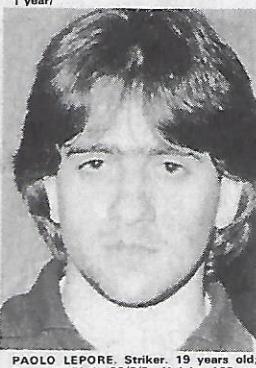
**ROCCO SANTAGELLO.** Striker. 25 years old; Date of Birth 15/6/56. Height 168 cm. (From Northcote City)



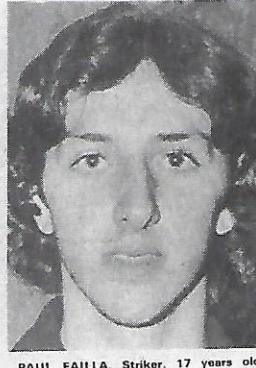
**MICHELE GIACOMI.** Defender. 19 years old; Date of Birth 5/1/62. Height 185 cm. (From Coburg)



**SALVATORE CARUSO.** Left Full Back. 25 years old; Date of Birth 6/8/56. Height 170 cm. (From Juventus)



**PAOLO LEPORE.** Striker. 19 years old; Date of Birth 30/6/2. Height 163 cm. (From Juventus Junior)



**PAUL FAILLA.** Striker. 17 years old. (From Fawkner Juniors)

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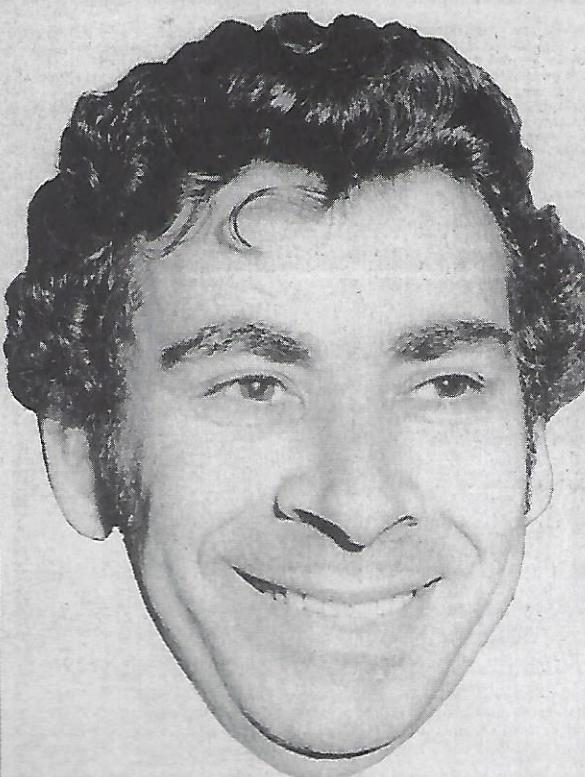
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Fawkner hasn't stopped growing since its foundation in 1966. Today the club has a sporting complex and pavilion at its Jukes Road ground in Fawkner which is envied by many higher division clubs and it also has the biggest following of any Italian soccer club in Melbourne.

While a lot of clubs stagnate and struggle for existence, Fawkner knows nothing but progress and success and with this progressive attitude the club is now a power in Victorian soccer.

The Schipano brothers — Frank, Giuseppe and Dominic — and Gino Marcato were the founders of Fawkner. The original name was Fawkner Bakers Soccer Club because of the founders' association with the bakery trade.

The first elected administration in 1968 was: Giuseppe Schipano (president), Gino Marcato (secretary), Frank Schipano (treasurer), Dominic Schipano, M. Vallorani, F. Roccioletti and R. Morelli. The name was slightly altered to Fawkner Soccer Club.

The club's first ground was at Fawkner Technical School but soon after the Broadmeadows Council allowed the club to use a piece of land in McBryde Street, Broadmeadows.

Frank Schipano was the driving force behind Fawkner in the early years. In 1968 he was president, coach and one of the team's top players.

Other leading players at the time were Roccioletti, Dominic Schipano, Masiach, Luigi Pavan (one of the all time greats at Fawkner and still active as a junior coach), M. Pesa, Harry Reinbold, Papadopoulos, Rosignolo and Michele Cusmano.

In 1969 Harry Reinbold took over as coach and Vince Nespeca became president. The committee was active on the transfer market and players brought to the club were: H. Malloy, Buffoni, Tonetti, Camera, Robert and



Eros Bertocchi, Aldo Vesnaver and Vince Medri.

Some juniors were introduced to the team — Tony Mainenti, who transferred to Juventus for the 1977 season and played a dozen games in the State League and John and George Pater who were convinced to give up Australian Rules Football and play soccer with Fawkner. John captained Fawkner for many years and won a best and fairest award. Both brothers then joined Polonia and George became president.

The 1972 season saw

many important changes in the Fawkner set-up. The club moved from McBryde Street ground to one in Smith Reserve which had changing rooms! Aldo Vesnaver became first team coach but the biggest change came at the end of the season.

After months of negotiations Fawkner and old rivals Fitzroy-Azzurri amalgamated, thus ending the existence of Azzurri which had dominated Sunday soccer by winning four premierships and two District League Cups in six years of life.

The bolstered Fawkner

was now in the Provisional League and went all out to win the championship in 1973. A draw against Werribee in the postponed last game would have been enough to give Fawkner the coveted first premiership but the pressure was too much and the team cracked, going down by the odd goal to the delight of the many Frankston Pines fans present at the game.

The 1974

saw

more new

faces

and some rather

radical changes.

Marcello

D'Amico, the well known

Italian sporting journalist

and a member of the Australian Soccer Coaches Federation, joined the club and established the very first post of Club Soccer

Director, Graziano Capulli took over the presidency from Vince Nespeca who had returned to Italy.

Claudio Korlevic, a star with the Azzurri team and with George Cross, became coach in 1974. Several new players joined from other clubs and brilliant juniors like Tony Schipano, Silvio Fraini, Robert and Frank Marcato came on the scene.

However a mid-season slump by Fawkner proved costly and at the end of the season the club missed out on the championship by a solitary point.

1974 had proved the beginning of a new era. Dynamic club secretary Tony Petrolito showed the way. The club negotiated with the Broadmeadows City Council for improvements to the Smith Reserve in Jukes Road.

D'Amico and Korlevic were still in charge of the first team for 1975 but Frank Calabria had come in as team manager. Sam Pizzo was elected presi-



The Fawkner team that played the early Cup matches in 1977. Back row from left: president G. Capulli, M. Cosmano, G. Pater, R. Vecchiato, J. Rossetto, G. Lia, B. Pesa, D. Epifano, G. Guglielmi, team manager B. Panas, N. Rudicin, S. Bazzano, G. Frolla, A. Spataro, P. Quattrocchi and masseur G. Scordia.

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**Sabidussi, Mike Lynn (player-coach),  
Mainenti, Claudio Polita, Sergi Sa-  
nchez, Giuseppe Perri, F. Tudic, Salvatore**

replacing Capulli, Mico and Calabria to play vital roles in development of the

They did a tremendous amount of work and still hard at the of making Fawkner greater.

re build-up to the 1975 on was successful. The won the pre-season tournament at Rosebud the Peninsula Cup, in the final Dove which was then in the d Division of the Metropolitan League.

winning team was: Iaro, G. Pater, Mam- e, Vecchiato, Borgese, etta, Di Bartolo, nacci, Mainenti, J. r. Mochi, Reserves: evic, R. Marcato, T. rma, Frain, Lalic, etti and P. Quattro-

ck was the reserve keeper. Later on Pet- d and D'Amico tried at right wing with success and this year e was a star with the mia team as a striker,

finishing the season as top scorer in First Division.

However Fawkner was once again pipped at the post for the championship. Morwell Falcons and Fawkner both finished on 36 points but goal average favoured the Latrobe Valley team.

In 1976 Frank Calabria replaced Marcello D'Amico as sporting director. Graziano Capulli returned to the presidency. In March 1976 the Mayor of Broadmeadows, Keith Evans, officially opened the club's new pavilion. It was appropriate that Cr. Evans opened the new complex for he had done so much work for the club.

For the fourth year running Fawkner was near but yet so far from winning the elusive championship. Geelong finished first with 32 points followed by Morwell and Fawkner. Then the V.S.F. dropped a bombshell when it accepted Morwell's application for entry to the Metropolitan League.

However Fawkner retained the Peninsula Cup and organised the highly successful Italian Cup. Over 16,000 people were involved in the all Italian tournament which ran for six weeks at the end of the season.

Four months before the end of the year Mario Spina replaced Korlevic as coach and with him he brought many players from Triestina.

But the greatest acquisition was Dario Epifano the former Juventus and George Cross star.

Other first team players were Spadaro, Panas, Barbera, Borgese, Guglielmi, Rossetto, Vecchiato, Weimper, Mainenti, Frain, Schipano, J. Pater, Minnala, Frolla, Hernandez, C. Tavolaro, Lia, R. Marcato, Pesa, Bazzano, Quattrocelli and Mamnone. The Fawkner Reserve team won its league.

At the beginning of the

season were C. Sabidussi, Spadaro, Sorani, Panas, Frolla, Guglielmi, Rossetto, Caruso, Vecchiato, Baravelli, J. Pater, Budicin, Pieramatti, Bazzano, Schipano, Epifano, Lalic, Mamnone, Cusmano, Quattrocelli, Avraam and Barbeta.

Fawkner began preparation for 1978 as soon as 1977 season was over.

New players signed were Carlo Graser (from Bulleen), Fragale, Vecchio (Triestina), Polita (Moreland) and from Juventus returned Tony Mainenti.

However the biggest signing was Dino De Marchi the former Juventus goal scoring machine.

In June Tony Boggi, the former Juventus, Alexander and Socceroo coach, was appointed first team coach with Marcello D'Amico as his assistant.

After a slow start in the Fourth Division the team hit top gear and from then on it was one-way traffic for the premiership. After many years of disappointment the club had won a premiership.

Boggi had great regard for Fawkner. "It's a great club, with great players and administrators. Clubs like Fawkner will be successful because they are ambitious and plan well for the future. I'm very happy to be here. Who knows, I may be coaching Fawkner in the State League in a few years time".

1979 was a hard year for the club. Fawkner came third in the league behind Park Rangers and Morwell Falcons, but the season finished on a high note when in the final of the Coppa Italia the Azzurri soundly beat Juventus 3-1.

Giuseppe Failla was president for the year. Under his astute leadership the club strengthened its ties with the Broadmeadows council, negotiated a liquor licence and completed a most successful sponsorship campaign.

During the year the club had three coaches. Balassone was in charge for approximately four months and then followed Johnny Bressan. Harry Reinbold took over for the last three matches of the Coppa Italia. The basic team for the year was: Panas, Caruso, Vecchiato, Schipano, Fatore, Mainenti, Epifano,

Polita, Frolla, Lepore, Avraam, Infelice, Fragale.

1980 was very thrilling and rewarding for the Fawkner Soccer Club and despite many injuries the club won promotion to the second division of the Metropolitan League.

Sam Pizzo was once again elected president after having served two

terms as treasurer and Mike Lynn was appointed first team coach.

The squad was: Terzini,

Sabbadini, Caruso, Schipano, C. Sabidussi, Mainenti,

Fragale, Menesses, Fran-

tin, Roccioletti, Vec-

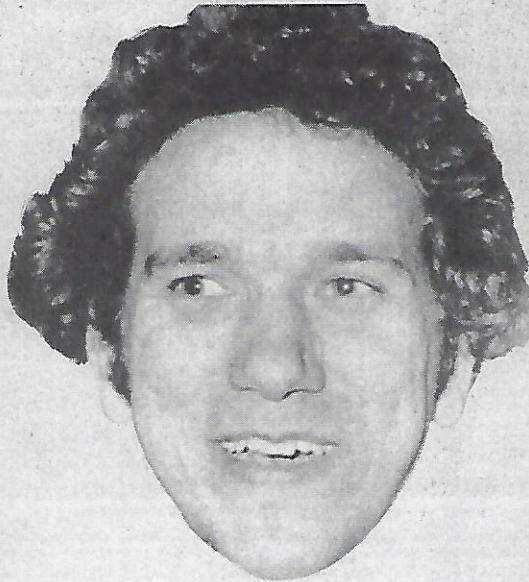
chiato, Perri, Polita,

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1981 is still in progress

and Fawkner for the fourth time in five years won promotion. The 1975 prophecy of then sporting director had proved true: "With proper programming and hard work Fawkner could reach state league status within six years. I am confident that Fawkner could do even better than Mooroolbark."



**Fawkner coach Mike Lynn**

## Lynn played in top company

**COACH:**

**Date of Birth:**  
**Place of Birth:**  
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**Michael Lynn**

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**Leeds, England**  
**Ringwood City Wilhelmina's, Croydon City**

*Mike Lynn played most of his football in England with top English amateur team Yorkshire Amateurs. This followed a period as an apprentice professional with Wolverhampton Wanderers.*

*He emigrated to Australia in December 1970 to play for Ringwood City Wilhelmina's. Seven years with this club saw Lynn play alongside many of Australia's greatest players including Peter Ollerenton, Gary Cole, as well as ex-Scottish internationals Bobby Collins and Willie Hamilton.*

*Lynn believes the best player he ever played with was Terry Luckhurst (who tragically died at the age of 40) and his most difficult opponent was John Gardner, whom he considers the best ever player to be brought to Australia.*

*Lynn turned to coaching in 1977 when he gained his Senior Coaching Badge through the Australian Soccer Federation. This achieve-*

*ment (the highest Australian coaching award) led to him assisting the then State Director of coaching, Ron Smith and the National Coach, Jim Shoulder in running coaching courses for prospective coaches and assisting with the Victorian representative teams of all age levels. The English FA coaching badge was the next achievement — a reward he considers to be worth its weight in gold.*

*The desire to be totally involved with club soccer brought Lynn to Fawkner. After turning down many offers due to clubs being unable to offer adequate training facilities and more importantly unable to offer local players with potential (an aspect which Michael considers essential for the future of Australian Soccer) Lynn saw Fawkner as the perfect example of what he was looking for — that is — good facilities, potentially excellent players with more to follow!*

*He believes that coaching players is more to do with instructive teaching and theoretical understanding than anything else and states that under the part-time conditions it could take three years to develop a player to his full potential and maybe five years for a whole club.*

*Although Lynn realises that such time elements are "unrealistic" he is very happy with Fawkner and pleased with the development this far.*

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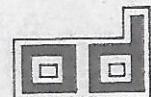
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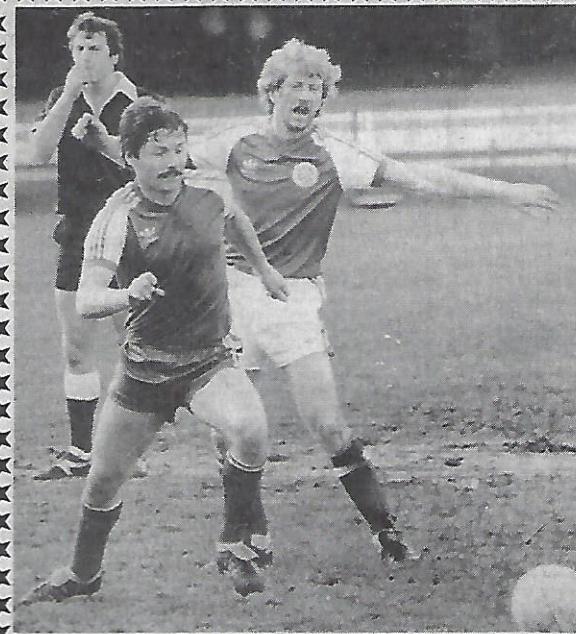
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**Joe Barbaro,  
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# BUFFALO



Ajax defender Gerry Bennett gets clear of Croatia's Ken Murphy but referee Jim Fearn has spotted a foul. Photo by LES SHORROCK

## Les Scheinflug wants Hogben

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

### CROATIA 0-AJAX 2 (Kokoska o.g., Macleod).

**CROATIA:** Blasby 5 — Short 5, Kokoska 7, Adams 7, Bilaver (Inj. Gilder 16th. 5) — Trout 6 (Ramjil 82nd), P. Bannon 6, Kerr 5 — Batovic 5, Drogan 6, Murphy 5.

**AJAX:** Danys 5 — Hogben 6, Gordan 6, Lewis 6, Paul Lewis 65th, G. Bennett 7 — Grechian 6 (Inj. Vassallo H.T. 7), A. Bennett 7, Williams 7 — Wall 7, Macleod 7, Morrey 3.

Soccerco coach Les Scheinflug almost snapped up Ajax right back Dave Hogben to go overseas with the national team.

Scheinflug was in touch with Ajax coach Bobby MacLachlan a week before Sunday's game but time didn't permit passport and transport arrangements to be finalised to allow Hogben to join the young Soccerco.

It was just as well. With Stuart Cannell suspended and the likelihood of Hogben being unavailable MacLachlan would have been forced into reorganising his defence drastically. But I doubt that it

would have made much difference.

Had Hogben been unavailable Gerry Bennett would have played right back with Jim Williams slotting into the left back position. Paul Lewis did just that for most of the second half after Peter Lewis was carried off with a deep gash near his left ankle from an off the ball clash with Alan Kerr in the 35th minute.

And Hogben was one of Ajax's outstanding players in a game which never rose to the expectations of the 4000 plus crowd at Olympic Park.

Ajax always made sure to get many players behind the ball whenever Croatia came forward and the tale of Croatia's woes was told from the edge of the Ajax area — the place where so many Croatia moves broke down.

While Ajax sweeper John Macleod ruled the roost at the back it was Hogben who took time off to surge forward, especially in the last 30 minutes and catch out Croatia without good cover at the back.

Croatia's problems started early. As early as the 12th minute when Ante Bilaver was injured in a tackle with Bill Morrey and left the field to receive treatment. But Bilaver didn't return and after Croatia played with 10 men for four minutes Cari Gilder appeared at the touchline ready to replace the Croatian left back. But Gilder, playing his first game for four weeks, rarely was sighted.

Dave Brogan turned Peter Lewis' times in the first 20 minutes but from then on Lewis was in command. Perhaps the big problem for Croatia lay in the middle of the park where Paddy Bannon, Joe Trout and Alan Kerr were unable to assert an ascendancy.

Kevin Wall twice slipped through in the first half but his first chance was parried over by Peter Blasby and his second from Joe Gardner's cultured curling pass into the area, thwarted by Wall's inability to control in time and slam the ball goalward from six metres out.

Ajax hit the front through a dreadful blunder by Blasby. The tall, lanky Croatia keeper rose unopposed to try and pluck a Gardner free kick out of the air but allowed the ball to escape his grasp and drop behind him. Blasby spun around as the ball headed for his goal and lunged to try and drag it back to safety. Just as he was about to grasp the ball Sten Kokoska swung his boot at it and it ended in the back of the Croatia net.

But things looked to be turning sour for Ajax when Peter Lewis was carried off on a stretcher. Coach MacLachlan already had replaced Kit Grechian with Willie Vassallo at half time so he brought on Paul Lewis for his namesake Peter and dropped Williams and Bill Morrey back.

While MacLachlan was running in and out of the dressing room trying to arrange a stretcher for Peter Lewis and an ambulance was there, Paul Lewis who set up Gus Macleod who sidefooted past from only four metres. It looked like the tireless Macleod wasn't going to get his name on the goalscorers' list. Kokoska had won most heading duels in defensive positions while Macleod was prominent whenever Kokoska moved into the Ajax area for set piece moves by Croatia.

But Macleod had the last laugh when he made a run from the penalty spot, glance a header home from only five metres out in the 60th minute. From that moment on Croatia was a beaten team.

Throughout all that important clash Ajax always was more urgent, aggressive and committed. It didn't have a bad player while at least five Croatia players should hold their heads in shame.

"We're just about here," was the understatement of the year voiced by MacLachlan after the match.

"Maybe in a few weeks time we'll have the triple crown — the League, AAMI and Dockers Cups. I'm told no side has done that in the same year and that's what we're after now."

Croatia president Joe Sirug and manager Frank Burin were disgusted after the match with the lack of commitment of some Croatia players.

"Thank God the season is almost over," said Sirug.

"We'll sign about six new players for next year and some of the present players will be told to look for another club," he added.

## Greener gets hat-trick

## Purge at Doveton

### ALTONA 2 (Jones, Luyten o.g.) RINGWOOD 4 (Greener 3, Luyten).

**ALTONA:** Memishi 8 — Thompson 6, Kilpatrick 6, Cooper 6, P. Williams 6, Jones 8, McLean 6, Innes 6 — Little 6, Whyte 6, Watters 6.

**RINGWOOD:** Fearn 7 — Pasman 9, Luyten 7, Brooks 6, Venners 6 — O'Callaghan 7, Molt 6, Dixon 6, Greener 8, O'Riley 6, Thom 7.

A hat-trick by talented Ringwood striker Ian Greener and an inept defensive display by Altona in the second half were the highlights of this clash.

Altona took the visitors side by storm in the opening 30 minutes but again failed to effectively strike at the Ringwood goal.

Ringwood hit the front in the 35th minute. Rathan Memishi palmed the ball to David Dixon from a Ringwood corner. Big John Luyten had moved up into the Ringwood area and Dixon sent the ball back into goal. Again Memishi palmed but straight to Luyten who had no trouble knocking the ball home from 10 metres.

A minute after the interval scores were level. Luyten failed to clear after good work by Kevin Innes and Howard Mercer. Steve Jones ran in and

slotted the ball past the helpless Les Fearn.

But a great run down the left by Brian Thom put Ringwood back in front. Thom crossed far post to the incoming Greener who volleyed in almost on the goal line.

Altona's marking at the back almost was non-existent. Its defence continually got caught square in the second half with acres of room behind it allowing Ringwood to knock through balls into this space for players running through.

One such ball, a Paul O'Riley pass, set up Greener for his second and Ringwood's third goal.

Then Luyten misread Fearn's positioning and stroked the ball past his advancing keeper but Altona's slim Innes was dashed when Bobby Malt ran onto Thom's ball down Ringwood's left, beat two defenders then squared to Greener to sidefoot in and notch his hat-trick.

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### Loughnane tops

**NORTHCOTE 1 (Fakos) DOVETON 2 (Quin, Thurlow).**

**NORTHCOTE:** Giannopoulos 7 — Nelson 6, Avgaridis 6 (penal. of 55th), Popovic 6, Petrus 6 — Moulas 6, Fakos 7, Bothell 6, Iffland 6, Vassallo 6, Kokoska 6.

**DOVETON:** Iannotti 7 — Merich 7, Corke 7, Hulius 7, Porter 6 — Thurlow 8, Bentley 7, McRoy 6 — Irvine 7 (Bone 75th), Chevrie 8, Quin 7.

though Northcote, once reduced to 10 men when Nick Avgaridis was sent off in the 55th minute, took the gallant decision to press on and scored three more goals and pulled back from its 2-0 deficit when Con Fakos hammered home a spectacular volley from the edge of the area.

Gengi Mustapha Hulius, recently turned 17, came into the Doveton line-up as a stopper

and did well in his State League debut. It was Hulius' through ball in the 20th minute which set up Alan Quin to cut inside and slip the ball under John Giannopoulos's body.

A minute after the break Peter Thurlow's shot from the edge of the area escaped Giannopoulos's grasp and gave the Doveton their two goal lead.

## GAMBIN HURT

### SUNSHINE 0 GEORGE CROSS 1 (Toal pen.)

**SUNSHINE:** Condin 7 — Lowe 7 — Dixey 7, Scerri 8, Ellis 7, Taylor 7, Edwards 7 (missed 60th), Nelson 7, McRoy 7 — McRoy 7 — Bain 7, McRobert 7.

**GEORGE CROSS:** Guy 6 — Wilkinson 7 — Gambin 7 (former H.T. 7), Morgan 7 — McRobert 7 — McRoy 7 — McRoy 6, Rigby 7, Pasman 6 — G. Bannon 7, Toal 7.

Cross youngster Paul Gambin was clinical in a clash with Shinners' keeper Alan Condin just before the interval and was taken to hospital at half time where he received stitches in a wound just above his eye.

Despite Gambin's loss George Cross kept its tenuous hold of fourth spot in the league intact thanks to a Bobby Toal penalty in the 41st minute.

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At Leo's the winner should ask for the manager, Carlo Giordano. This week's winner is Ringwood right back DON PASMAN.

## Ilham leads Holland's rise with 42 goals



Holland Park's senior squad. BACK ROW: Celal Ilham, Ali Fethi, Tayfun Ertugrul, Aydin Kuluk, Ali Kotan, Telat Gunerli. FRONT ROW: Sakin Boyaci, Ajah Ilhan, Savas Saglam (captain), Salim Boyaci, Selami Sir.

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Holland Park's excellent facilities at J. H. Holland Park in Kensington and the club's social rooms in Sydney Road, Brunswick are strong arguments for Holland Park's inclusion in a higher league if any vacancy becomes available.

With the planned reorganisation of the State League Holland Park is hoping that a vacancy will be created in the District or Provisional Leagues.

Three Holland Park youngsters are in the Victorian Schoolboys' titles in Melbourne throughout this week. They are Celal Ilham, Aydin Bol and Savas Saglam.

Ilham, an 18 year old striker, is the top scorer in Amateur League soccer this season with 42 league goals to his credit. Bol, a midfielder, is the captain of the schoolboys and the speedy Saglam captains Holland Park's first team.

Holland Park first team coach Muammer Adalar is a former Turkish under-21 international and holds a senior coaching badge from F.I.F.A.

The club was formed in 1979 and played under the auspices of the Victorian Amateur Federation until coming into the VSF this year.

Holland Park's under-13's take on North Geelong in the semi-finals of the JLMC Cup at Dendy Park, Brighton on Sunday, August 30 at 11.30 am and the club will run under-12's, 14's and 16's in 1982.

With solid backing from Melbourne's Turkish community Holland Park is destined to drive up through the leagues and establish itself as one of the best supported clubs in Victoria.

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## CROYDON THE LAST HURDLE

Green Gully Ajax will be out finally to clinch its first ever State League title when it meets Croydon at Green Gully Reserve on Sunday.

And Croydon is out to secure its place in the top four and gear itself for an assault on the State League Cup later this year.

Croydon will go to Green Gully looking for both points. It will use the Loughnane brothers, Ian and Peter, up front with another player wide.

Ajax has a few defensive problems. Stuart Cannell's fate will be decided at the V.S.F. tribunal on Wednesday night while Peter Lewis is struggling to overcome a nasty gash near his ankle suffered against Croatia on Sunday.

Should both Cannell and Lewis be unavailable I expect Ajax manager-coach Bobby McLachlan to use Gerry Bennett as Ian Loughnane's marker. Dave Hobgen could be given the job of covering Peter's right side and don't be surprised to see Jim Williamson open a full back role.

The way these Ajax players are giving them all they could use Gus MacLeod at the back, Kevin Wall sweeping, Gordon Wallace in goal and Lou Denys on the wing and still do quite well.

But there's no way that Ajax will take Croydon lightly.

Steve McCombe was injured in Croydon's huge 7-1 drubbing of Hakoah on Sunday but he'll be needed to take on MacLeod, especially in the air where the big Ajax striker has proven himself to be the best in the league.

I think Ajax will win. It certainly will have the advantage of a spirited partisan following and later on Sunday evening green and white flags, banners and streamers should decorate the Ajax rooms as celebrations continue into the early hours of Monday morning.

Juventus must beat Croatia to retain its slim hope of avoiding relegation.

These sides meet at Gillon Oval on Sunday and don't be surprised to see a couple of new faces in the Croatia line-up. I expect Danny Ramljak and Ned Batinovic to keep their places in the first team squad but depending on the repercussions at committee level from Sunday's 2-0 loss to Ajax a few regular faces could be disappointed by their omission.

## OFF ON AGAIN

FRANKSTON 2 (Egan 2)



JUVENTUS 3 (Incantalupo, Cavallari pen., Heery).

FRANKSTON: Gilbert 6 (pen. off 40th) — Gobly 8, Stewart 9, Ormond 7 (pen. H.T. 7), Irvine 7 — Holford 8, Leisard 8, Tuthill 8 — Burcham 7, Egan 8, Campbell 7.

JUVENTUS: Egan 2 (pen. off 40th) — Curran 9, De Rose 7, Donnelly 7, Hird 6 — Smith 6, Cavallari 7, Cunningham 7 (yellow 72nd), Heery 8 — Ristovski 7, Incantalupo 8.

Dave Gilbert was sent off and referee Nick Karlich abandoned the dramatic Centenary Park clash in the 40th minute but started almost 25 minutes later.

Frankston officials are fuming. They claim Karlich told them that the match was abandoned because Frankston's Director of Coaching John Pryde refused to leave the field as instructed by referee Karlich.

Frankston claims that Karlich didn't show Pryde a red card yet Pryde was on the Frankston team sheet as a substitute.

And Frankston players were told by club officials Lee Smith and the long stoppage that the game had been called off so some of them started to shower and get changed.

I believe that Tony Beazley, a referee's inspector spoke at length to Karlich during the stoppage.

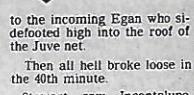
When play restarted the sides kicked off for the second half but the match had been abandoned before the 45 minutes were up for the first half.

Both sides shone in an exciting first half and it took the Baysiders only eight minutes to hit the front when Charlie Egan followed in on Alex Fantana's parried save from a Bill Buchanan shot from the right side of the Juve area.

Three minutes later Fabio Incantalupo turned and twisted past two defenders then slammed a superb low shot past Gilbert from about 12 metres.

Incantalupo must have thought he had put Juve ahead shortly after when he thumped the ball goalward from 10 metres but Gilbert reacted brilliantly to parry the grasp at the second attempt.

Rob Stewart switched play to the left side in the 30th minute and set up Carl Holford who had eluded Juve's offside trap. Holford took the ball to the by line then squared back



to the incoming Egan who sidefooted high into the roof of the Juve net.

Then all hell broke loose in the 40th minute.

Stewart saw Incantalupo bearing down on Gilbert and stepped into the path of the young Juve striker. Karlich awarded a penalty and Gilbert, in possession, kicked the ball away in disgust. He was given a yellow card. Charlie Smith took the spot kick but Gilbert saved. Karlich ruled that Gilbert had moved too early and ordered the penalty to be retaken. Again Gilbert kicked the ball away so Karlich sent him off.

Pryde raced around the touchline as Gilbert walked off, trying to get his young keeper to take off his strip and give it to 17 year old defender Eddie Ormond who was to take over the keeping duties for the last few minutes of the half. Karlich and Pryde clashed verbally and Karlich allegedly ordered Pryde from the playing arena. Pryde apparently refused to go and Tiziano Cavallari replaced Smith as the penalty taker and made no mistake to level at 2-2.

Then Karlich and Pryde again clashed and Karlich took the two linesmen from the park after abandoning the match.

Strangely it was Frankston's 10 men which gave Juve hell for most of the second half but Tony Heery's half deflected shot from reserve team keeper Nigel Bent in the 80th minute Bent had replaced Ormond at half time.

Three minutes later Gobly Tuthill was brought down inside the Juve area and Karlich had no hesitation in awarding a penalty to the Baysiders.

The whole scene took on an unreal quality when Frankston's two goal hero, Egan, hammered his penalty attempt high and wide.

Frankston is lodging an official complaint with the V.S.F. over referee Karlich's handling of the match. The Baysiders are seeking a replay.

## TEAM OF THE WEEK

Lou DENYS

Don PASMAN	John GARDINER	Steve SCERRI	Tony CURCIO
Peter THURLOW	Rob STEWART	Peter DENRIDDER	
Peter LOUGHNANE	Ian LOUGHNANE	Arthur CHERRIE	

STATE LEAGUE	W	D	L	F	A	P
AJAX.....	15	2	3	42	10	32
CROATIA.....	11	6	3	38	17	28
CROYDON.....	9	7	4	40	22	25
GEORGE CROSS.....	11	2	7	28	18	24
Doveton.....	6	11	3	24	22	23
Northcote.....	7	4	9	32	44	18
Hakoah.....	5	8	7	24	38	18
Frankston.....	7	3	10	30	32	17
Sunshine.....	7	3	10	29	32	17
Wilhelmina.....	6	4	10	29	42	16
Juventus.....	5	4	11	18	35	14
Altona.....	2	4	14	20	42	8

## Bannon holds lead

Ametco Travel's State League Player of the Year will be awarded to Sunshine's Lou Denys for his outstanding performance in the State League this year, including the semi-finals and final.

Denys will be honoured at the awards ceremony on Saturday, 25th November.

Denys' achievement is in excess of \$3,500.

This week's scores:

CROATIA v AJAX

2 — Denys (GGA)

2 — Gardner (GGA)

1 — Hobgen (GGA)

3 — Loughnane (Croy)

2 — Loughnane (Croy)

1 — Denridder (Croy)

3 — Pasman (R)

2 — Memishi (A)

1 — Greener (R)

FRANKSTON v JUVENTUS

3 — Curcio (J)

2 — Stewart (F)

1 — Holford (F)

SUNSHINE v GEORGE CROSS

3 — Scorni (S)

2 — Wilkinson (GC)

1 — Toal (GC)

NORTHCOTE v DOVETON

3 — Thurlow (D)

2 — Cherie (D)

1 — Quin (D)

CROYDON v HAKOAH

3 — Loughnane (Croy)

2 — Loughnane (Croy)

1 — Denridder (Croy)

3 — Pasman (R)

2 — Memishi (A)

1 — Greener (R)

Progressive votes:

22 — P. Denys (C)

21 — French (H)

20 — Wilkinson (GC)

19 — Gardner (GGA), Stewart (F)

18 — Cannell (GGA)

17 — G. Bannon (GC).

## Loughnane gets four of seven

CROYDON 7 (I. Loughnane 4, Denridder 2, P. Loughnane, Howarth 1) HAKOAH 1 (C. Kent).

CROYDON: Edwards 7 — Brown 7, McCombe 7 (inj. Howarth 65th), Pangho 6, Hobson 7 — P. Loughnane 8, Wade 8 — P. Loughnane 8, I. Loughnane 9, Bakker 7.

HAKOAH: Fryzer 4 — Davidson 6 (Nagy GGA), Hannan 5, Geddes 6, Wilson 10, Hirsch 10, Wilson 11, Thomas 7, Jordan 6, Kleg 5 — Webster 6, French 6, C. Kent 6.

through but shot straight at Mick Edwards.

Ian Loughnane completed his hat-trick in the 57th minute when he turned and slammed the ball into the roof of the net from six metres.

Then brother Peter got into the act by breaking through on the right and calmly chipping the ball to the advancing Fryzer.

Croydon Park was a mud bath and it was the home side which used the conditions well, hitting long balls to front-runners Ian and Peter Loughnane.

Hakoah went down as early as the fourth minute when Peter Denridder's shot from the edge of the Hakoah area went in under the diving body of Mike Fryzer.

Eight minutes later Gary Hobson crossed the far post where Steve McCombe headed back across goal. Paul Wade ran onto Paul Wade's through ball, and slotted it past Fryzer who must have thought this nightmare soon would end.

He was right. It ended when Johnny Howarth made it 7-0 for Croydon just two minutes after replacing the injured McCombe. A seemingly inauspicious Howarth shot somehow went past about six players and slipped into the side of the Hakoah goal.

Poor Fryzer. Just before Howarth's goal he had managed to hold a high ball into his area. The Croydon fans roared with delight. I think it's called a Bronx cheer.

And it would have been no consolation for him when teammate Chris Kent headed goalward from Graham French's chip to the far post in the 80th minute. Edwards and Mark Brown tried to stop Kent's header but the linesman's flag confirmed Hakoah's solitary reply.

The stuffing was just about knocked out of Hakoah now and its cause wasn't helped when Stan Webster was clean

when





## FOOTBALL FIXTURES and 6 YEARS HOME RESULTS

English and Scottish League Fixtures for Season 1981-82

Matches played on ground of first mentioned Club

SATURDAY, 29th AUGUST, 1981

### English League — Division I

	Season	1976	77	78	79	80	81
Arsenal v Stoke City		0-1	2-0	-	-	0-0	2-0
Aston Villa v North County		1-1	0-2	3-0	4-3	1-2	0-2
Coventry v Manchester United		5-2	2-2	1-1	0-0	-	1-1
Everton v Birmingham City		-	3-1	-	-	-	-
Ipswich Town v Sunderland		-	1-0	1-3	2-2	1-3	2-1
Leeds United v West Ham United		1-0	2-0	-	1-0	0-0	4-1
Middlesbrough v Tottenham		3-1	2-1	-	-	2-0	2-1
Nottingham Forest v Southampton		-	0-1	-	-	-	-
Swansea City v Leeds United		-	-	-	-	0-0	-
West Ham United v Brighton		-	-	-	-	0-0	-
Wolverhampton v Liverpool		1-3	-	1-3	0-1	1-0	4-1

### English League — Division II

	Season	1976	77	78	79	80	81
Barneby v Shrewsbury Town		-	-	-	-	-	-
Blackburn Rovers v Sheffield Wednesday		-	-	-	-	-	-
Chelsea v Bolton Wanderers		0-1	2-1	-	4-3	-	1-2
Coventry v Cambridge		-	-	-	1-1	-	-
Derby County v Orient		-	-	-	-	-	1-1
Grimsby Town v Leicester City		-	1-1	-	-	-	-
Luton Town v Charlton Athletic		1-1	2-0	7-1	3-0	3-0	-
Newcastle United v Chesterfield		-	2-1	-	-	0-2	2-1
Oldham Athletic v Coventry City		-	3-2	1-1	2-1	0-3	2-0
Rotherham United v Norwich City		-	-	-	-	-	-
Wrexham v Queens Park Rangers		-	-	-	-	-	1-3

### English League — Division III

	Season	1976	77	78	79	80	81
Bristol Rovers v Chester		0-1	-	-	-	-	-
Carlisle United v Bristol City		-	-	-	-	-	-
Doncaster Rovers v Reading		1-1	-	2-2	2-2	-	-
Fulham v Brentford		-	-	-	-	-	1-1
Gillingham v Burnley		-	-	-	-	-	0-4
Huddersfield Town v Exeter City		0-1	0-1	-	-	-	0-0
Millwall v Preston North End		2-0	-	0-2	-	-	0-0
Newport County v Chesterfield		-	2-1	-	-	-	0-0
Plymouth Argyle v Oxford United		2-1	-	2-1	0-1	1-1	0-1
Portsmouth v Lincoln City		-	1-1	0-2	-	-	0-0
Swindon Town v Wimborne		-	-	-	-	-	2-1
Walsall v Southend United		2-3	-	-	1-1	-	-

### English League — Division IV

	Season	1976	77	78	79	80	81
Aldershot v Dorking		-	1-2	3-2	1-1	1-1	2-1
Blackpool v Stockport County		-	-	-	-	-	-
Bournemouth v Crewe Alexandra		1-0	0-0	1-0	1-0	0-0	-
Brighton City v Wigan Athletic		-	-	-	1-1	2-3	-
Bury v Luton Town		-	-	-	-	-	3-1
Hereford United v Colchester United		-	2-2	-	1-2	1-0	0-0
Northampton Town v Scunthorpe United		2-1	-	1-2	1-0	0-0	2-3
Peterborough United v Mansfield Town		0-3	2-1	-	1-0	0-0	-
Plymouth Argyle v Hartlepool United		-	1-1	-	0-1	1-0	0-0
Port Vale v Chesterfield		-	-	-	-	-	-
Sheffield United v Hereford United		-	-	-	-	-	-
Torquay United v Hull City		-	-	-	-	-	-
Tranmere Rovers v York City		-	4-4	-	1-2	5-0	-

### Scottish Premier League

	Season	1976	77	78	79	80	81
Celtic v Airdrie		1-0	2-3	0-0	2-2	1-1	-
Dundee United v Aberdeen		4-0	-	2-0	5-2	0-0	-
Hibernian v Dundee		-	2-1	0-4	1-0	2-1	-
Partick Thistle v Rangers		2-2	5-1	-	0-0	0-3	1-1
St Mirren v Morton		-	-	-	-	-	-

### Scottish League — Division I

	Season	1976	77	78	79	80	81
Dumbarton v East Stirlingshire		-	-	-	-	-	-
Aberdeen v Fife		2-1	5-0	-	2-0	3-0	1-0
Arbroath v Meadowbank Thistle		-	-	-	-	-	0-1
Berwick Rangers v Monroe		-	-	-	-	-	-
Brickhill v St Albans		2-3	0-0	-	-	-	-
Crystal Palace v Stevenage		-	0-0	3-4	-	0-2	-
East Fife v Stranraer		-	-	-	2-0	1-0	3-1

### Scottish League — Division II

	Season	1976	77	78	79	80	81
Dundee United v Hearts		-	-	-	-	-	-
Falkirk v Ayr United		-	-	-	-	-	-
Hamilton v Raith Rovers		-	0-0	-	1-1	3-1	-
Kilmarnock v Motherwell		-	2-2	-	-	-	-
Queen's Park v Clydebank		-	0-2	-	-	-	-
St Johnstone v Queen of the South		-	2-2	1-2	5-2	-	-

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Queen's Park v Clydebank		-	0-2	-	-	-	-
St Johnstone v Queen of the South		-	2-2	1-2	5-2	-	-

From JIM COOK  
our European  
correspondent



# JOHNSON JITTERY

Craig Johnston admits he is "scared stiff" about playing for Liverpool. But after two matches on the European champions' pre-season tour Johnston, also confesses to being disappointed about his form.

The England under-21 star, signed for a club record \$1,300,000 last April said:

"Your dream is to make a big impact when you come to a club like this. But I don't feel I'm doing myself or the team justice. I have added a bit of the 'I'm so nervous' to my game."

Ipswich ace John Wark has turned down tempting offers that could have made him into a lira millionaire.

While the 23-year-old Scottish international was in Florence to receive the European Young Footballer of the Year award, he was approached by top Italian clubs Bologna and Fiorentina.

Birmingham City who have already signed a Welsh star Tom Vass Merito of PSV Eindhoven are poised to sign winger Burt Broekman from the same club after playing successful trials.

Send the information to "Soccer Action", 603 Little Lonsdale Street, MELBOURNE, VIC.

# JUNIOR STANDINGS

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Standings for the Southern and Eastern Association

UNDER 7 DIVISION 1		UNDER 8 DIVISION 2		UNDER 9 DIVISION 3		UNDER 10 DIVISION 4		UNDER 11 DIVISION 5		UNDER 12 DIVISION 6	
Macca's A	7	3	1	39	13	21	1	7	3	15	5
Marlboro A	8	2	43	14	20	1	10	2	19	22	24
Pagewood B	8	2	30	18	10	1	8	2	30	21	24
Queensland A	8	3	20	28	16	1	9	2	31	18	20
Rockwicks A	8	4	20	23	18	1	10	2	32	16	18
Macca's B	8	2	18	25	16	1	9	2	31	18	20
Pagewood B	8	1	20	28	16	1	10	2	32	18	20
Queensland B	8	2	19	27	16	1	11	2	33	19	21
Rockwicks B	8	3	21	27	16	1	12	2	34	20	22
Queensland C	8	4	22	28	16	1	13	2	35	21	23
Rockwicks C	8	5	23	29	16	1	14	2	36	22	24
Queensland D	8	6	24	30	16	1	15	2	37	23	25
Rockwicks D	8	7	25	31	16	1	16	2	38	24	26
Queensland E	8	8	26	32	16	1	17	2	39	25	27
Rockwicks E	8	9	27	33	16	1	18	2	40	26	28
Queensland F	8	10	28	34	16	1	19	2	41	27	29
Rockwicks F	8	11	29	35	16	1	20	2	42	28	30
Queensland G	8	12	30	36	16	1	21	2	43	29	31
Rockwicks G	8	13	31	37	16	1	22	2	44	30	32
Queensland H	8	14	32	38	16	1	23	2	45	31	33
Rockwicks H	8	15	33	39	16	1	24	2	46	32	34
Queensland I	8	16	34	40	16	1	25	2	47	33	35
Rockwicks I	8	17	35	41	16						

# Young champions gear



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## MacKenzie hoists England, reprieve for Germany, Santana leads Brazil's challenge



ZIKA NIKOLIC

NEOCEKIVAN ALI ZASLUZEN PORAZ  
West Adelaide je odigrao utakmicu života, kao da se bori za naslov prvaka, dok je JUST igrao sa plin strana, življeno i bez radosti. PLAVI su prividno gospodari igre. Izmudili su 12 koraka, a domaćim svega 4, ali su bili jači. Sredina skoro nije postajala, iako je Kondoros bio junak ove utakmice, kada JUST nije smio da dobiye. Dva puta je vodio i oba puta je dobio. Tako je dva puta bio u poziciji i neodlučne odbrane. Zdravko Lujic je dva puta bio u poziciji da ubaci, pobedi JUST-a, međutim oba puta je bio blokiran i promašio. Kada jedan iskusni igrač njegovog kova napravi takve greske, sta se može očekivati od ostalih?

JUST-ov navijački autobus se vratio razocaran u Melbourne. Nesucanjima su ostali i brojne navijaci iz Adelaide, koji su priredili PLAVIMA nenapomenič prijem.

Jedino opravdanje za poraz je bio leš klijun igrača. Kapiten Zoran Ilioski je igrao bolestan, pa je z bogatog zamenjen, a njegova zamena Jim O'Reilly je bio velika rupa u odboru.

Sledeće nedelje JUST dočekuje na svom grastu, gde postiže izvanredne rezultate, Brisbane Lionsa i manje priliču po pobjavi uoči bilans zadnjih utakmica i povrati poverenje navijaca. Eventualna pobjeda skinula bi poslednju brigu sa JUST-ovih leda.

### VELIKA POBEDA MAKEDONIJE

Makedonija je u pravi cas povratila formu i obezbedila opstanak u Philips ligi, koji možda vise ne biće. U svakom slučaju, makar sta se dogodilo, Makedonija će opravdati svoj ulazak u najbolje fudbalsko takmičenje, koju je obogatila brojnim navijacima, dobrom organizacijom i lepom igrom.

Pobeda nad Adelaide City-om nije dozala u pitanje ni jednog trenutka, a mogla je biti veća da bi bilo vise sportske sreće. Sledeće nedelje Makedonija igra u Brisbanu protiv Gladbacha, gde će potvrditi da nijene pobede nisu slučajne.

### AJAX NOVI PRAV VIKTORIJE

Necekivani poraz Croatia osigurao je Ajaxu prvi naslov pravka Viktorije. Igraju se jas dva kola, ali prednost od cetiri boda je nedostizna. Veliko je iznenadjenje da drugi uzastopni poraz Northcote City-ja, koji su pojaci Popovic i Kojic, iduce nedelje Ajax igra protiv Croydon City-a na svom igralistu. Croatia je gost Juventus, a Northcote City igra protiv George Crossa.

### OSTALI REZULTATI

DANDENONG CITI — FOOTSCRAY 1:0 (1:0). Heroljevo zaostale utakmice su golman Mihalj Cirić i Zeljko Mihaljević, koji se vratio nogometu i JUST-a, a igrao je svega polstata. Tako je Footscray bio ujedno i jedan od najboljih. Sredinac Zlatko je Mihaljević posigao pobednički gol iz slobodnog udarca sa 25 metara, kada je retko vidjao u Australiji. Sa ovom pobjedom drugi tim JUST-a je zadržao četvrti mesto na tabeli druge divizije sa 26 bodova. Sastav: Cirić, Stojcević, I. Karic (Z. Mihaljević od 60. minuta), T. Vuković, Smrževski, Velačić, Aceski, Simić, T. Karic, Parton. U subotu 29. avgusta drugi tim JUST-a igra protiv Western Suburbsa za Metropolitan Cup.

RINGWOOD UTD / SRBIJA-YALLOURN 1:1 (1:0). Strelac Darren Bain u 15. minuti. Srbija je izgubila protiv zadnjeg na tabeli, koji se ovim bodom spasao od ispadanja u nizi rang takmičenja. Međutim, neresen rezultat je oduzeo Ringwood/Srbiju titulu prvaka treće divizije zbog losije gol-ratlike. Ipatk, Ringwood/Srbija je obezbedila ulazak u drugu diviziju. Sastav: Milan Cvijić, Tom Kelly, Tony Currulli (Ljubo Stojanović od 40. minuta), Nedeljko Rajić, Peter Vaughan, Boško Đorđević (Slavisa Pejković od 45. minuta), Slavko Vlasić, Bulgarija, USSR I, i Moscow.

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Since March 1980, 99 countries have competed in a series of elimination matches throughout the world to earn the right to come to Australia and play in the final qualifying matches for the FIFA World Youth Championship for the Coca-Cola Cup.

Who will be the new young champions in 1981?

Russia won the inaugural tournament held in Tunis in 1977 by beating Mexico 2-2 (9-8 in penalties).

Argentina were the new young champions, beating Russia 3-1 in Tokyo, Japan, August 1979.

Let me go back to a warm May afternoon in Leipzig, Democratic Republic of Germany, last year.

The first ball was kicked in a soccer series that would spread to every continent on earth. The cream of Europe's young footballers were lined up for their annual international tournament, but there was an extra surge of excitement in the air, for the 16 countries were battling not only for the prized title of European champions, but also for a passport to the FIFA World Youth Championship for the Coca-Cola Cup.

There was room for six European teams in the final 16, and a trip to Australia was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

Italy, Poland and Holland were in a hurry to book their flights. Two straight wins each in the opening games virtually guaranteed them a place in the top four.

But, in the remaining group, the pressure was on England, who had dropped a point to Portugal and faced a crucial decider with Yugoslavia.

This was the moment chosen by MacKenzie, who had scored only twice all season for his club, Manchester City, to redisclose the route to the goal. MacKenzie scored twice to hoist England into the semi-finals and their first appearance in the Coca-Cola Cup.

The English squad, just announced, includes Paul Allen (West Ham), Paul Walsh (Charlton Athletic), Terry Conner (Leeds), Shaun Brooks (Crystal Palace), and Ton Caton (Manchester City).

### SPAIN GETS THERE

Elsewhere the drama was centred on which two teams would finish fifth and sixth and the odds were that goal difference would prove decisive.

That's why Spanish midfield star Roberto more such a wide grin after his team's 2-0 win over Hungary.

With Spain, Portugal and Rumania all equal on four points, it was Roberto's goal that nudged Spain into fifth place.

The tension was even more punishing for Rumania and Portugal, who had scored three goals and conceded two each. For them to wait several weeks before the Gods smiled on Rumania in a drawing of lots.

For West Germany, the European tournament had been a massive disappointment. They had scored eight times in two games, the excellent Thiele grabbing four of them, and needed only a draw with Rumania to qualify.

A shock 1-0 defeat sent them home shattered. But there was to be a late reprieve when they were nominated to replace Holland, who withdrew from the Coca-Cola Cup for administrative reasons.

Germany, coached by Dietrich Weise, suffered big disappointments in 1980. After two drawn games against France, Weise cancelled further international matches and reviewed his squad.

An international indoor tournament in Macau brought about a change. In the space of 10 days, the new faces on the youth team went undefeated, beating Spain, USSR II, Bulgaria, USSR I, and Moscow.

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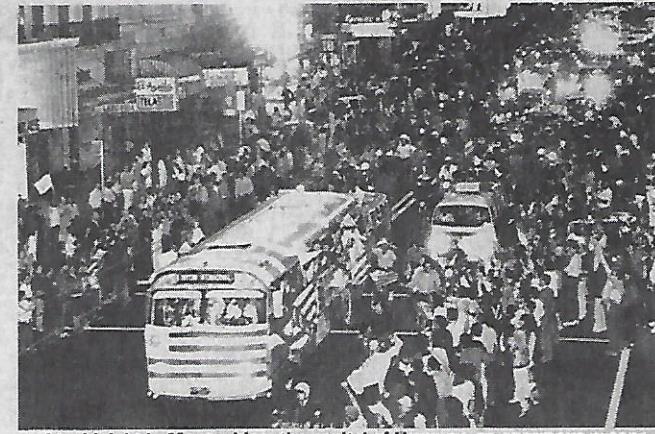
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At midnight in Montevideo, the capital of Uruguay, an enormous procession which formed behind the bus transporting the South American Youth Champions, throngs the main streets of the city.



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It meant that, for the first time, every one of the finalists — barring the hosts — would be obliged to qualify through their own continental youth tournament. Thus, the African event was organised on a home-and-away knock-out cup basis.

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